

It is uncomprehensible that consideration is being given to permit the use of cell phones onboard airplanes "inflight". As a 22yr flight attendant, I find that there are plenty of loud psgrs bothering other psgrs already on the ground without adding cell shout to the "up in the air time" too. Many times there are 6 to 8 cell phone conversations going on in first class while we are still at the gate. This always causes others to be exposed to sometimes very personal and even argumentative conversations, not to mention some of the volume levels of these calls. This is hardly the forum for conducting business or allowing psgrs to use cell phones in the air! We have had navigation issues with portable elec devices, so there is not proof that these and cell phones don't interfere with the very business of flying airplanes. Please don't give us yet another uncontrollable situation to manage. We have enough to worry about with security and the demands of a group of people inside a metal tube...please keep phones OFF the airplanes. This is supposed to be quiet time for people, not the free for all it would be with everyone talking on their phones with their different agendas! It would certainly not be a relaxing experience for most people who may need to sleep or work quietly with people talking constantly. Ever listen to anyone in a store? The nonsense that is being said is hardly appropriate for aircraft, let alone the added threat from terrorists coordinating their efforts. Please think this through from our perspective! Thank you.